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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Lock 12 Hydro Partners FFP Project 107 LLC

Project Nos. 13214-002

14274-000

NOTICE OF COMPETING PRELIMINARY PERMIT APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, AND COMPETING APPLICATIONS

On September 1, 2011, Lock 12 Hydro Partners (Lock 12), and FFP Project 107 LLC (FFP 107) filed preliminary permit applications, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of a hydropower project at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Kentucky River Lock and Dam No. 12, located on the Kentucky River in Estill County, Kentucky. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

Lock 12's Project No. 13214-002 would consist of: (1) a powerhouse constructed in an abandoned lock, containing four generating units with a total capacity of 2.64 megawatts (MW); and (2) a 1,500-foot-long, 12.47 kilo-volt (KV) transmission line. The project would have an estimated average annual generation of 11.0 gigawatt-hours (GWh), and operate run-of-river utilizing surplus water from the Kentucky River Lock and Dam No. 12, as directed by the Corps.

Applicant Contact: Mr. David Brown Kinloch, Soft Energy Associates, 414 S. Wenzel Street, Louisville KY 40204. (502) 589-0975.

FFP 107's Project No. 14274-000 would consist of: an 400-foot-long, 50-foot-wide approach channel; (1) a powerhouse, located on the west side of the dam, containing one generating unit with a total capacity of 4.2 MW; (2) a 250-foot-long, 60-foot-wide tailrace; (3) a 4.16/69 KV substation; and (4) a 0.15-mile-long, 69 kV transmission line. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 16.8 GWh, and operate run-of-river utilizing surplus water from the Kentucky River Lock and Dam No. 12, as directed by the Corps.

Applicant Contact: Ms. Ramya Swaminathan, Free Flow Power Corp., 239 Causeway Street, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02114. (978) 283-2822.

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Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's website http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P-13214-002, or P-14274-000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: November 22, 2011

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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